## Exhibit A

**Certification under Guidelines** 

## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF PUERTO RICO

In re:

THE FINANCIAL OVERSIGHT AND MANAGEMENT BOARD FOR PUERTO RICO,

as representative of

THE COMMONWEALTH OF PUERTO RICO, et al.,

Debtors.1

In re:

THE FINANCIAL OVERSIGHT AND MANAGEMENT BOARD FOR PUERTO RICO,

as representative of

THE EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF THE GOVERNMENT OF PUERTO RICO, Debtor.

PROMESA Title III

No. 17-BK-3283-LTS

(Jointly Administered)

PROMESA Title III

Case No. 17-BK-3566-LTS

This Application relates only to ERS and shall be filed in the Lead Case No. 17-BK-3283-LTS and ERS's Title III Case (Case No. 17-BK-3566-LTS)

CERTIFICATION UNDER GUIDELINES FOR FEES
AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR PROFESSIONALS IN RESPECT
OF SIXTH INTERIM FEE APPLICATION OF PROSKAUER ROSE LLP
FOR COMPENSATION FOR SERVICES RENDERED AND REIMBURSEMENT
OF EXPENSES INCURRED AS ATTORNEYS FOR THE FINANCIAL OVERSIGHT
AND MANAGEMENT BOARD FOR PUERTO RICO, AS REPRESENTATIVE OF THE
DEBTOR, THE EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF THE GOVERNMENT OF
PUERTO RICO, FOR THE PERIOD FEBRUARY 1, 2019 THROUGH MAY 31, 2019

Pursuant to the United States Trustee Guidelines for Reviewing Applications for

Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses Filed under 11 U.S.C. § 330 by Attorneys in Larger

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The Debtors in these Title III Cases, along with each Debtor's respective Title III case number and the last four (4) digits of each Debtor's federal tax identification number, as applicable, are the (i) Commonwealth of Puerto Rico (the "Commonwealth") (Bankruptcy Case No. 17-BK-3283-LTS) (Last Four Digits of Federal Tax ID: 3481); (ii) Puerto Rico Sales Tax Financing Corporation ("COFINA") (Bankruptcy Case No. 17-BK-3284-LTS) (Last Four Digits of Federal Tax ID: 8474); (iii) Puerto Rico Highways and Transportation Authority ("HTA") (Bankruptcy Case No. 17-BK-3567-LTS) (Last Four Digits of Federal Tax ID: 3808); (iv) Employees Retirement System of the Government of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico ("ERS") (Bankruptcy Case No. 17-BK-3566-LTS) (Last Four Digits of Federal Tax ID: 9686); and (v) Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority ("PREPA") (Bankruptcy Case No. 17-BK-4780-LTS) (Last Four Digits of Federal Tax ID: 3747). (Title III case numbers are listed as Bankruptcy Case numbers due to software limitations.).

Chapter 11 Cases issued by the Executive Office for the United States Trustee, 28 CFR Part 58, Appendix B (the "Guidelines"), together with the Local Rule 2016-1, the undersigned, a Partner of the firm Proskauer Rose LLP ("Proskauer"), attorneys for the Financial Oversight and Management Board for Puerto Rico (the "Oversight Board") as representative of the Employees Retirement System of the Government of Puerto Rico (the "Debtor"), pursuant to section 315(b) of the Puerto Rico Oversight, Management, and Economic Stability Act ("PROMESA"), hereby certifies with respect to Proskauer's sixth interim application for allowance of compensation for services rendered and reimbursement of expenses incurred with respect to the Debtor's Title III case, dated September 20, 2019 (the "Application"), for the period from February 1, 2019 through and including May 31, 2019 (the "Compensation Period") as follows:

- 1. I am the professional designated by Proskauer in respect of compliance with the Guidelines and Local Rule 2016-1.
- 2. I make this certification in support of the Application for interim compensation and reimbursement of expenses incurred during the Compensation Period in accordance with the Guidelines and Local Rule 2016-1.
  - 3. In respect of the Guidelines and Local Rule 2016-1, I certify that:
    - a. I have read the Application;
    - b. to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief formed after reasonable inquiry, the fees and disbursements sought fall within the Guidelines;
    - c. except to the extent (i) that fees or disbursements are prohibited by the Guidelines or (ii) Proskauer agreed to provide discounts to its usual rates in connection with

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> PROMESA has been codified in 48 U.S.C. §§ 2101-2241.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Capitalized terms used but not defined herein have the meanings given to them in the Application.

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its representation of the Oversight Board, the fees and disbursements sought are

billed at rates in accordance with practices customarily employed by Proskauer

and generally accepted by Proskauer's clients; and

d. in providing a reimbursable service, Proskauer does not make a profit on that

service, where the service is performed by Proskauer in house or through a third

party.

4. I certify that Proskauer has previously provided monthly statements of Proskauer's

fees and disbursements by filing and serving monthly statements in accordance with the Interim

Compensation Order (as defined in the Application), except that completing reasonable and

necessary internal accounting and review procedures may have, at times, precluded filing fee

statements within the time periods specified in the Interim Compensation Order.

Dated: September 20, 2019

San Juan, Puerto Rico

Respectfully submitted,

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